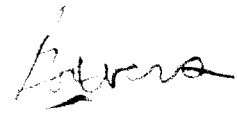


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Dear Josh:

Your recent article in Science reminded me that it has been far too long since we have been in touch with each other. Of course I have been very pleased to learn of the exciting progress at Stanford and I know that your presence has had a great deal to do with this movement. There seems to be a general feeling that Stanford is a "hot" school.

Rumor tells me that you are becoming quite biochemical in your research. If so, I know that you will do as well with it as in Genetics - or is it a false rumor?

I wonder what you have determined about teaching Genetics in a Medical School! Jim Crow's course is making a real impact on our students. I conducted a seminar for Junior students last week and was quite delighted with their knowledge of Genetics. I suspect that medical students today are as excited and motivated about knowledge in Genetics as they were about Biochemistry fifteen years ago (don't quote me on that).


I have been delighted with the development of our Genetics Program under Jim's leadership. I wish that we had both of you in the Medical School - you would be a perfect combination. We are awaiting the arrival of Smithies and Cotterman.

L.V.M. is doing a fine job and has been particularly supportive of our program. You would have enjoyed working with him.

Drop me a line, when you have a chance.

Please give my regards to Esther.

Sincerely,



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